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Civil Action No. 05-2970 (PGS)

Dear Judge Sheridan:

This firm represents the defendants in this action, and I am counsel of record. This will confirm a voicemail message I left this morning for Your Honor's Deputy Clerk, Dolores Hicks, that I am not available for a settlement conference on Thursday, May 22, 2008, as I am scheduled to speak at the NJSBA Annual Meeting and Convention in Atlantic City, in the "Labor and Employment Update" program on Thursday, May 22, 2008, from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Kindly also be advised that there is a settlement conference scheduled for June 11, 2008, before U.S. Magistrate Judge Esther Salas, that was previously scheduled in this matter.

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We appreciate the Court's consideration.

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